

Application No. 10/730,894
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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently amended) ~~Clothes~~ A clothes hanger structure according to claim 12, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein said symmetrical side arms slant downwards and said movable means of support have a curved shape for optimal support of the garment.

4. (Currently amended) ~~Clothes~~ A clothes hanger structure according to claim 12, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the connection of said movable means of support to said projections of said sliding elements is provided by slotting a protruding edge of said projections into corresponding seats provided in the lower part of the means of support.

5. (Currently amended) ~~Clothes~~ A clothes hanger structure according to claim 12, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein said sliding elements are provided with at least one tooth in forced contact with a wall of the cavities in which notches are provided, wherein said notches are designed to engage said tooth to define a number of stop positions of said sliding elements.

6. (Currently amended) ~~Clothes~~ A clothes hanger structure according to claim 12, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein said upper hanging means consists of a hook fixed to the centre point of the structure.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently amended) ~~Clothes~~ A clothes hanger structure according to claim ~~[[7]]~~13, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein said movable means of support are provided with clips for gripping the garment.

9. (Currently amended) ~~Clothes~~ A clothes hanger structure according to claim ~~[[7]]~~13, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein said sliding elements are provided with at least one tooth in forced contact with a wall of the cavities in which notches are provided, wherein said

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notches are designed to engage said tooth to define a number of stop positions of said sliding elements .

10. (Currently amended) ~~Clothes~~ A clothes hanger structure according to claim ~~[[7]]~~13, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ said movable means of support consist of a pair of bars inserted telescopically one inside the other, each fixed integrally to one of said sliding elements by means of connection elements.

11. (Currently amended) ~~Clothes~~ A clothes hanger structure according to claim 12, ~~characterised in that it wherein the clothes hanger structure~~ is made of two symmetrical half-shells along the longitudinal axis, said half-shells being assembled after the insertion of said sliding elements in the corresponding cavities.

12. (New) An adjustable clothes hanger structure, comprising:

upper hanging means;

two symmetrical side arms extending from a center point of said structure;

cavities disposed inside of said side arms;

longitudinal apertures located in upper walls of said side arms;

sliding elements disposed within said cavities, said sliding elements comprising projections protruding upward through said longitudinal apertures, and

movable garment supports, wherein said movable garment supports are fixed to said projections so as to permit width adjustment of said movable garment supports.

13. (New) An adjustable clothes hanger structure, comprising:

upper hanging means;

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two symmetrical side arms extending horizontally along a common axis
from a center point of said structure;

cavities disposed inside of said side arms;

longitudinal apertures located in lower walls of said side arms;

sliding elements disposed within said cavities; and

movable garment supports positioned below said side arms and connected
to said sliding elements through said longitudinal apertures so as to permit width
adjustment of said movable garment supports.